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1. Between 3 and 18 September 1954, the Panzerjaeger Kaserne at Spremberg was occupied by about 600 KVPs. Most of them wore blue service color. A KVP officer stated that other units from the installation were still in the Nochten area and were to return in late September. About ten low wooden buildings were under construction on the side of Forster Strasse opposite the Panzerjaeger Kaserne.<sup>1</sup>

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2. A KVP ration strength from 12 to 18 September which was obtained on 13 September included 321 officers, 1,830 NCOs and men, and 74 civilian employees who were stationed at the KVP installation at Loebau. At about 1520, four two-axle trucks, each towing a light AT gun, entered the installation.<sup>2</sup> The vehicles were occupied to capacity by KVPs who wore fatigue uniforms.

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3. On 5 September, two KVP trains, each of about 20 cars and carrying 450 tons, were en route from Halle to Wittenberge.<sup>3</sup>

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4. A KVP train of about 20 cars was dispatched from Barth to Halle on 17 September. No KVP trains operated in the Schwerin railroad district between 7 and 16 September and 18 to 23 September.<sup>4</sup>

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Comment. The observations indicate that the bulk of the tank units of Mechanized Division Dresden was still practicing at the Weisswasser troop training grounds. The construction of low wooden buildings opposite the Panzerjaeger Kaserne was previously reported. The buildings serve as quarters of the medium tank regiment and will be replaced by brick buildings at a later date.

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Comment. The ration strength of about 2,150 KVPs probably included the 3d Mecz Regt and the mortar regiment of Mechanized Division Dresden.

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Comment. The KVP trains were previously observed and probably carried AAA units of Division Halle. The trains which probably had Barth in the Greifswald railroad district as receiving station went through the Magdeburg railroad district between Halle and Wittenberge.

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4. Comment. The KVP train probably carried elements of AAA Battalion Halle from about 12-day firing practices near Zingst back to their home station. Other KVP AAA units which were near Zingst at the same time did not pass through the Schwerin railroad district.

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